WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 10,156

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served December 21, 2006

Application of ARIANA'S
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, LLC, for a)
Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)

Case No. AP-2006-057

This matter is before the Commission on applicant's request for an extension of time to comply with Commission Order No. 9641, served June 14, 2006.

Order No. 9641 conditionally granted Certificate of Authority No. 1234 and stipulated that applicant would have the full 180 days available under Commission Regulation No. 66, or until December 11, 2006, to satisfy the conditions of the grant. On November 27, 2006, applicant requested a 30-day extension of the compliance deadline. Applicant subsequently satisfied the conditions of Order No. 9641 as of December 13, 2006.

Regulation No. 66 provides that: "The time for compliance with the requirements for a conditional grant of authority will not be extended beyond a maximum of 180 days from the date the conditional grant of authority is issued. Such conditional grant of authority shall be considered void effective on the 181st day." Regulation No. 66, may be waived for good cause shown, however, keeping in mind, of course, the purposes of Regulation No. 66, which are: (1) preventing the issuance of operating authority at a time when the fitness finding has become stale; and (2) ensuring closure.

The Commission has approved the issuance of a certificate of authority in the past where, as here, applicant requested an extension of time within the 180-day period and satisfied the conditions of the grant within 30 days after the 180-day period had run.² For good cause shown, Regulation No. 66 shall be waived.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Certificate of Authority No. 1234 shall be issued to Ariana's Transportation Services, LLC, 637 Morton Place, N.E., Washington, DC 20002.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES AND CHRISTIE:

William S. Morrow, Jr. Executive Director

 $^{^{1}}$ In re JBT Enterprise, LLC, t/a Access Mobility Transp., No. AP-05-111, Order No. 9755 (July 19, 2006).

² See id.